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Regarding Docket #98N1038, "Irradiation in the production, processing, and handling of food

Dear FDA,

As a US citizen, I am demanding prominent labeling of, to include the use of the term "irradiation" or "irradiated", and the use of the radura symbol on irradiated foods.

Proposed alternative terms such as "cold pasteurization" and "electronic pasteurization" are misleading and should not be used.

The absence of a statement would be misleading because irradiation destroys vitamins and causes changes in sensory and spoilage characteristics that are not obvious or expected by the consumer.

Thank you for continuing to the right of Americans to free information.

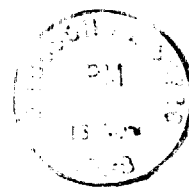
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